

1 CHAIRPERSON JAMES: Jose Mora?

2 MR. MORA: (Through translator.) My name is Jose
3 Mora. I'm a cook and I work for Crystal Park Hotel and Casino.
4 We have a union even though right now we don't have a contract,
5 we're fighting to get one.

6 I began to work in the casino since it opened in
7 November '96 but two weeks after it opened we started to have
8 problems with the managers. And that's why I became part of the
9 union. But we couldn't organize the union because they closed
10 the place. That was the second time that that happened to me
11 because before I had worked in the El Dorado Club Casino for four
12 years and that was also closed.

13 This time my co-workers and I as union committee
14 members began to mobilize people and we took a lot of action so
15 that the casino would open back up again. Now that the casino is
16 open again with a new owner and with an agreement that allows us
17 to organize the workers, we have won union recognition.

18 We felt the difference and now my job is a lot more
19 secure and that is very important for me because I support my
20 wife and my child.

21 In the short amount of time that we've had the union,
22 we have been able to resolve the problems that have confronted
23 us. For example we've been able to resolve problems like our
24 seniority, our days off, and more than anything we've able to win
25 respect that we never had before.

26 We hope to someday change this work place so that
27 we'll treated as the workers should be treated. And so that we
28 will be able to offer our families a better life.

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1 Thank you.

2 CHAIRPERSON JAMES: Thank you.

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